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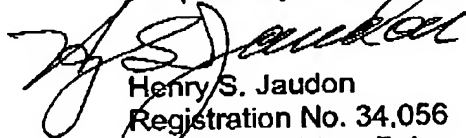
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Dear Sir:

**Response under 357 CFR 1.112 to the PTO Action of 1/11/2005**

An election of species between a purported (a) "latch assembly species" and a purported (b) "operator species" has been required under 35 USC 121. The assembly species (a) is said to be that shown in Figures 1-4, 6 and 8 and the operator species (b) is said to be shown in Figures 5, 5A, 7 and 9.

This requirement is respectfully traversed as being improper.

Figure 1 shows generally the entire arrangement.

Figures 2, 2B, 4, 6, 7 and 8 show the latch actuator assembly in various forms to include the master lock assembly 98 and master lock control 112.

Figures 5, 5A and 9 show alternative arrangements for operator 40 which operates the latch assembly 38 and for master lock assembly 98 to include a key actuator 108 and key pad 112.

Figure 3 is directed to controls for the secondary latch assembly.

Every independent claim includes structure shown in at least one of Figures 2,